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FOLLOWING REPEAT KINSHASA 613 ACTION SECSTATE 22 JAN 76

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SUBJECT: ANGOLA: MORE ON NGUZA TRIP

REF: STATE 14140, KINSHASA 595

1. FOLLOWING DESPATCH OF REFTEL, BISENGIMANA CALLED DCM
JANUARY 22 TO SAY THAT, UPON REFLECTION, HE AND MOBUTU
DID NOT BELIEVE CAMEROON WAS A GOOD CANDIDATE FOR THE PROPOSED
MISSION TO WASHINGTON (READ THEY DO NOT BELIEVE CAMEROON WOULD
BE RECEPTIVE) BUT THAT IVORY COAST WOULD CERTAINLY FILL THE

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BILL.DCM SAID THESE WERE JUDGMENTS BEST MADE BY GOZ AND

ASKED WHAT IMPLICATION WOULD BE FOR SCENARIO REPORTED REFTTEL.

2. BISENGIM REPLIED THAT MOBUTU HAD INSTRUCTED NGUZA TO DEPART FOR LUSAKA JANUARY 24, RETURN TO KINSHASA JANUARY 25 AND THEN PROCEED TO ABIDJAN AND DAKAR. AT EACH STOP, NGUZA WILL RESENT A LETTER FROM MOBUTU TO REPSECTIVE CHIEFS OF STATE CALLING FOR JOINT APPROACH AFTER DAKAR, NGUZA WILL PROCEED DIRECTLY TO WASHINGTON (TOWARD END OF NEXT WEEK) WHERE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE OTHER THREE AFRICAN STATES WILL HOPEFULLY JOIN HIM.

3. IT IS CLEAR THAT MOBUTU IS GOING TO GIVE THE JOINT AFRICAN DEMARCHE SCENARIO A COLLEGE TRY, BUT INTENDS TO MAKE HIS OWN PITCH DIRECTLY TO THE PRESIDENT FORD IN ANY EVENT. AND IT IS EQUALLY EVIDENT THAT MOBUTU'S FUTURE STANCE ON ANGOLA DEPENDS IN GREAT MEASURE ON WASHINGTON'S REACTION TO NGUZA'S TRIP.

4. WE SHALL ATTEMPT TO GET A READING FROM NGUZA AFTER HE HAS BEEN TO LUSAKA. CUTLER

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